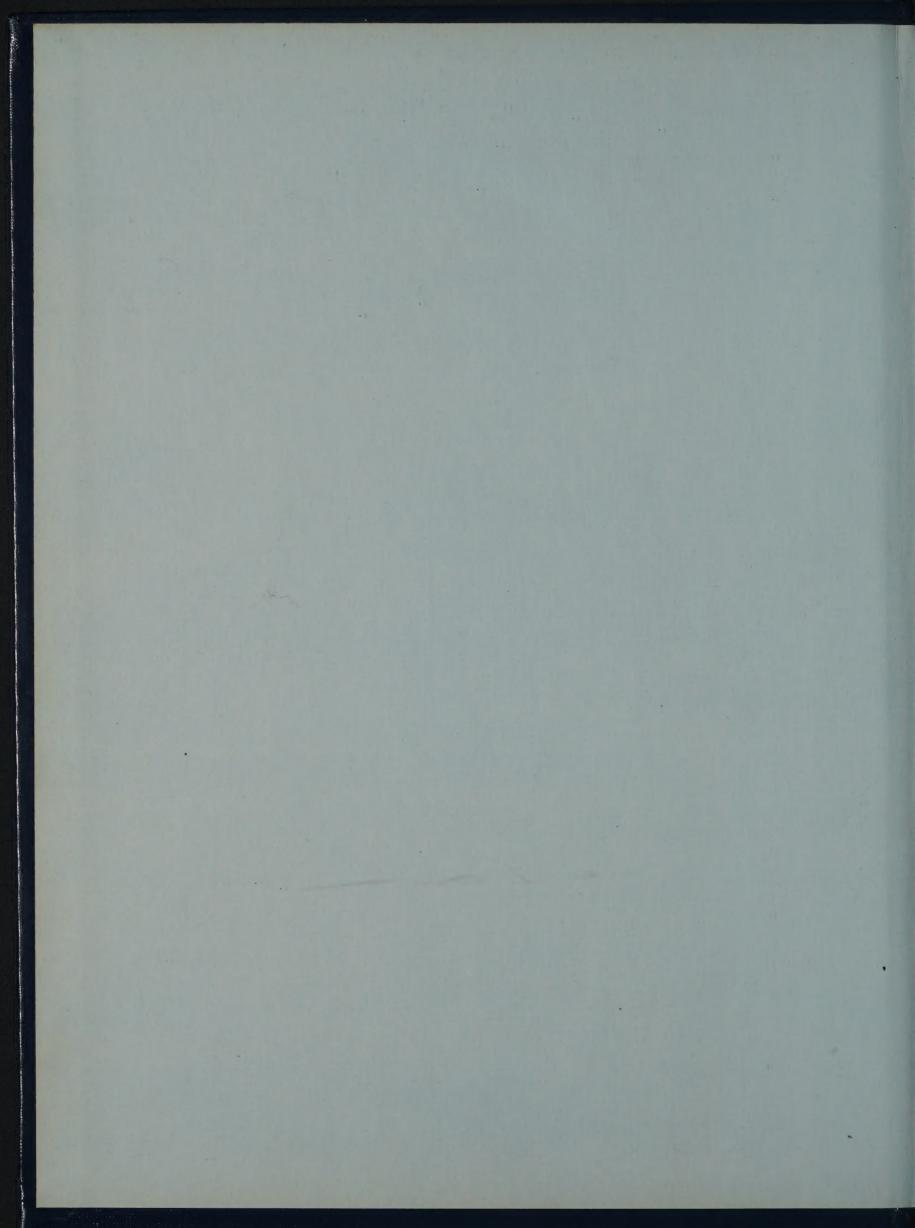
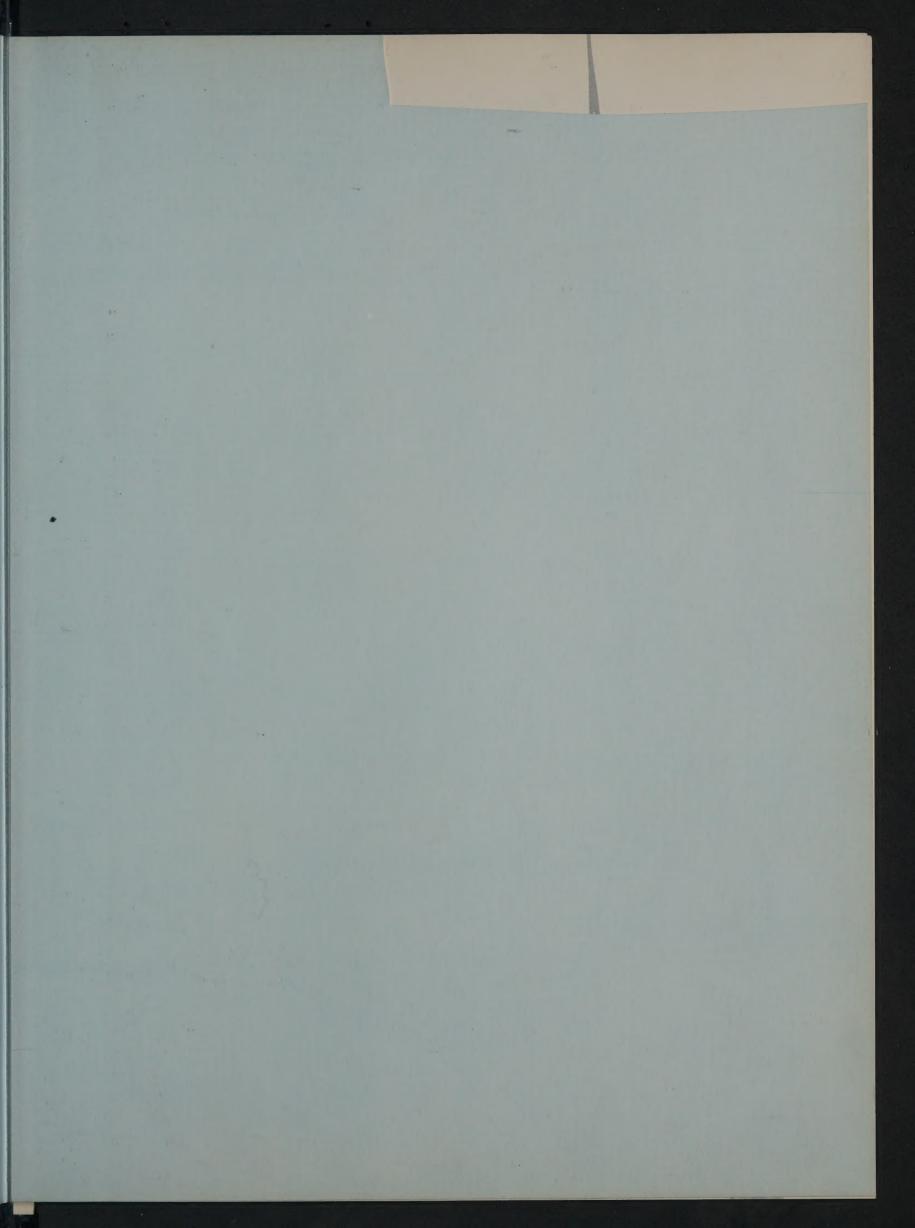
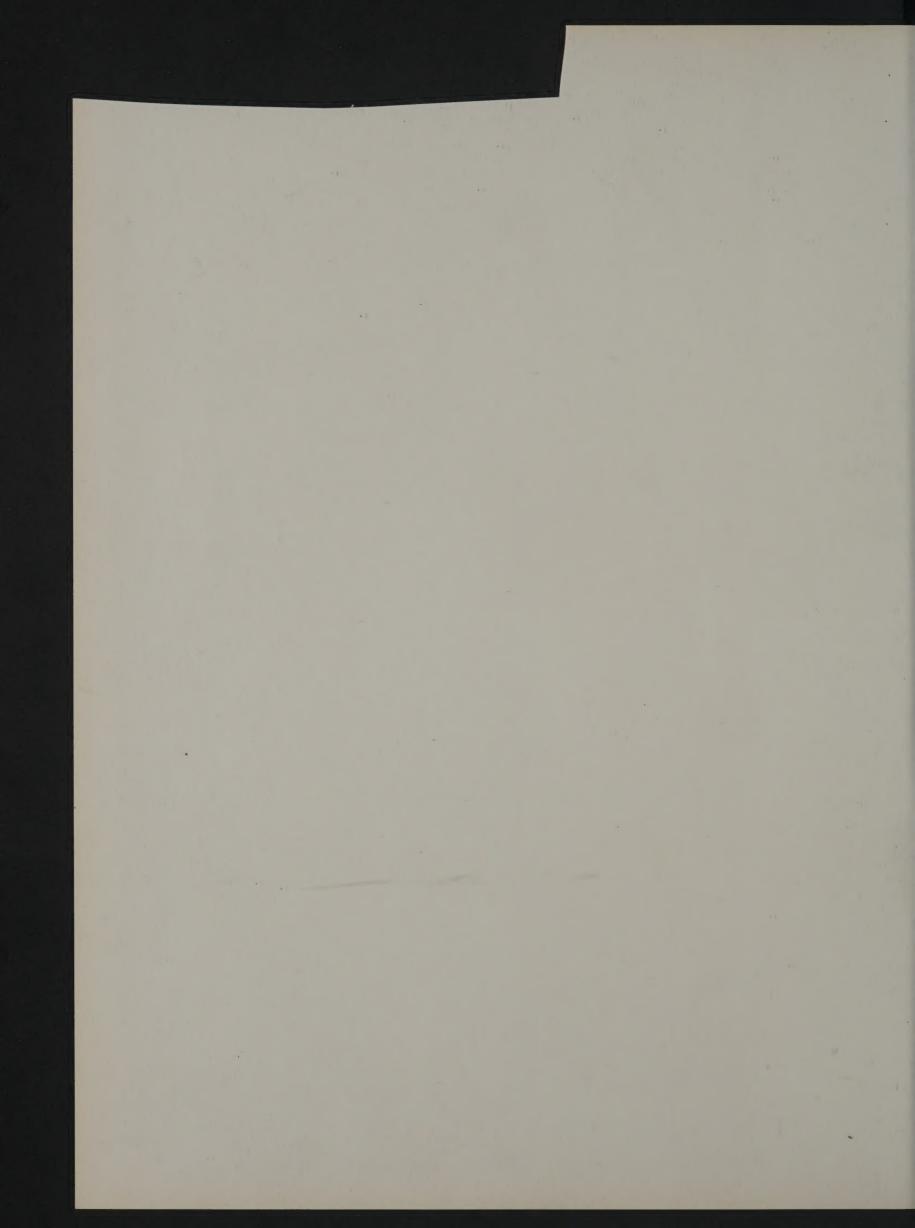
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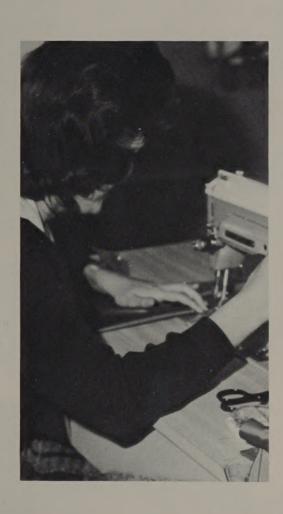
So many wonderful things make up a school year that it is practically impossible to keep track of them all, but the most important ones are surely remembered forever. One of the functions of a yearbook is to keep a complete record of the school. Your 1963 Buccaneer, therefore, is an official guide to your reminiscences of the 1962-1963 year.



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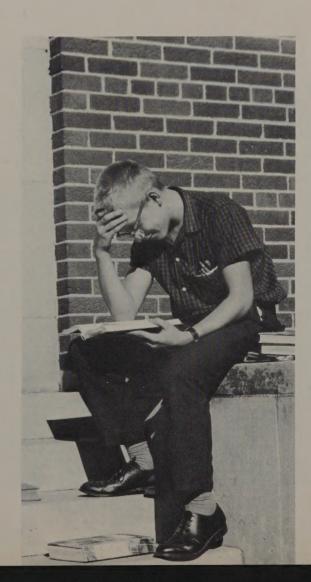


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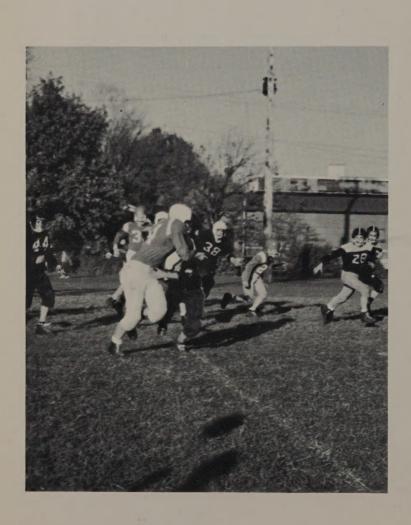








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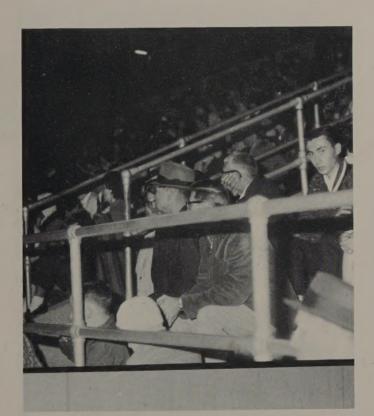


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. . . The Organizations















Senate Voices Student Opinion



SEATED: Larry Crow, Bob Badertscher, Beth Balmer, Elaine Naas, Steve Sutermeister, Jerry Weaver. BACK ROW: Tom Foltz, Jim Heiks, Mr. Schmunk, advisor;

Louise Weaver, Susie Hilty, Kathy Haney, Geraldine Tschantz, Jeanne Waidmann.

The Student Senate is the student governing organization of the school. Elected representatives from each home-room work with Mr. Schmunk to direct student activities, to promote school spirit, and to act as a sounding board for student opinions. The Senate is a symbol of democracy within the school.

Besides sponsoring junior high dances, the Senate operated the pencil machine, kept the pencil sharpeners in order, fulfilled worthwhile suggestions, and decorated the school Christmas tree. The Senate also visited a neighboring school to observe how its Senate and classes function.



Beth Balmer, vice-president; Jeanne Waidmann, secretary; Bob Badertscher, president; Jerry Tschantz, treasurer.



Student Senate members sponsor, chaperon, and collect money at junior high dances.

Student Patrol Is School Police Force





One of the duties of the patrol is to time the fire drills, even when the weather is freezing.

Rodger Benroth, chairman of the student patrol, makes sure the lights are out in the hall during classes.

The high school student patrol consists of two juniors and five seniors who are chosen by the faculty to be the "policemen" of B.H.S. With Mr. Murray as advisor this small group of students works for the safety of the school in many ways.

During fire drills they check the time of emptying the

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building, make sure everyone is out, turn off lights, or shut windows and doors that are forgotten. They are the people seen turning off the lights in the halls, breaking up fights, and directing the traffic in halls and stairs. They also act as ushers at assemblies.

Tom Brauen, Elaine Baker, Dan Luginbuhl, Larry Crow, Jim Diller, Carol Pimlott, Rodger Benroth, Mr. Murray, advisor.



DICK COOKSON Bluffton, Ohio

Annual Presents School Year



ROW ONE: Tom Criblez, Rae Ann Johnson, Brenda Moser, Karen Schmidt, Elaine Baker, Gayle Gerber. ROW TWO: Lee Cookson, Mr. Geiger, advisor; Nancy

Luginbuhl, Linda Bucher, Mr. Wrightsman, advisor; Beth Balmer, Karen Diller, Diana Hilty, Rich Little.

Lots of hard work and energy went into the new 1963 Buccaneer, a publication of varied purposes. The yearbook gives the students a lasting record of the past year at B.H.S. Acting as a public relations medium for the school, it also presents the high school to the community of Bluffton. It is unlikely that there is a more valuable book for a high school student.

The staff members, assisted and guided by Mr. Wrightsman and Mr. Geiger, learned that putting out an annual



Brenda Moser, business manager; Elaine Baker, editor; Gayle Gerber, assistant editor.

is not all fun and enjoyment. After many, many hours of seemingly unrewarded efforts, however, they are proud to present the 1963 Buccaneer to you.



Members of the staff could be found working in the shop almost every ninth period.

Cutlass Keeps Students Informed



"The stories are late."

"We'll never get it finished on time!"

"When's this paper supposed to come out, anyway?"

To help answer the inevitable question of "Whats' going on around here?" the Cutlass staff publishes six newspapers a year. Two weeks of hard work--story seeking by reporters and editors' sessions lasting into the wee hours--preceed each issue.

ROW ONE: Pam Triplett, Linda Steinman, Linda Baber, Tom Brauen, Steve Sutermeister, Richard Little. ROW TWO: Kathy Osborne, Susan Lehman, Bobbie Heiks, Coletta Lora, Laura Yoder, Judy Chidester. ROW THREE: Diana Mathewson, Bonnie DeVier, Linda Crawfis, Mrs. Nussbaum, advisor; Miss Duffield, advisor; Jane



SEATED: Linda Baber, business manager; Tom Brauen, editor; Jean Purves, assistant editor. STANDING: Laura Yoder, feature editor; Steve Sutermeister, sports editor; Connie Habegger, news editor.

Several Cutlass staff members are seen distributing the latest issue in subscrib-

The major purposes of the paper are to inform the students, to present reading material of general interest to the student body, and to better acquaint each person with the opinions and ideas of others. With the help of their advisors, Mrs. Nussbaum and Miss Duffield, the Cutlass staff seeks to reach these goals.

Herr, Ellen Johnson, Connie Habegger, Betty Thomas, Sally Emmert, Miriam Augsburger, Greta Purves, Cynthia Weaver, Linda Reichenbach, Pauline Kinsinger. MISSING: Jean Purves.



D and E SINCLAIR SERVICE Bluffton, Ohio

FTA Encourages Prospective Teachers



ROW ONE: Cynthia Weaver, Elaine Naas, Mr. Cremean, advisor; Margo Reichenbach, Miriam Augsburger. ROW TWO: Gayle Gerber, Sally Emmert, Susan Lehman, Barbara Heiks, Laura Yoder. ROW THREE: Ruth Henry, Janette Benroth,

Kay Motter, Diane Conrad, Kathy Osborne. ROWFOUR: Tom Brauen, Larry Grant, Steve Sutermeister, Rodger Benroth.

The Future Teachers of America club is one of the newer organizations in the school. It encourages students who are thinking seriously of becoming teachers and who want to learn more about this profession.

This year, under the guidance of Mr. Cremean, members earned FTA pins by helping teachers grade papers, acting as guides in the school, and performing many other tasks which gave experience in teaching. Filmstrips discussing teaching, talks by people in the field, and joint meetings



Rodger Benroth, treasurer; Barbara Heiks, vice-president; Laura Yoder, president; Ruth Henry, secretary.

with the Ohio Student Education Association of Bluffton College helped the members learn more about their chosen profession.



One of the meetings, which was held in the auditorium, was a movie on teaching.

Literary Interests Developed by Club





SEATED: Laura Yoder, vice-president; Barbara Heiks, chairman of the nominating committee; Carol Pimlott, president. STANDING: Brice Balmer, historian; Linda Baber, secretary; Steve Sutermeister, treasurer.

Members of the Library Club hunted for program ideas everywhere.

The Library Club is a growing organization this year composed of juniors and seniors. The members are students interested in literature and the theater. Meetings are held the second Monday of every month in the Library reading room. Recreation or book reviews usually constitute the

programs.

The Library Club attended the productions of the Amil Tellers' Encore Theater. A Book Fair was heldfrom November fifth to the tenth to earn money. Miss Anderson, the club's advisor, helped to plan meetings and projects.

ROW ONE: Jane Herr, Shirley Swank, Elaine Naas, Karen Schmidt. ROW TWO: Steve Sutermeister, Brice Balmer, Lynn Basinger, Betty Thomas, Laura Yoder, Bobbie Heiks, Carol Pimlott. ROW THREE: Miss Anderson, advisor; Barb Eastman,

Rae Ann Johnson, Karen Diller, Linda Baber, Coletta Lora, Linda Steinman, Gayle Gerber, Leslie Amstutz. ROW FOUR: Barbara Nusbaum, Ellen Johnson, Joyce Eikenbary, Jim Irwin, Dan Luginbuhl.



Future Homemakers Learn Skills



ROW ONE: Rae Ann Johnson, Diana Mathewson, Paula Harrison, Connie Brauen. ROW TWO: Pauline Kinsinger, Sue Ewing, Joyce Shaw, Miss Patton, advisor, Dorothy Hartman, Sharon Dirmeyer, Jeray Moser, Barbara Marquart. ROW THREE:

Barbara Nusbaum, Sharon Gratz, Nancy Luginbuhl, Bonnie Cook, Arletta Zimmerman, Joan Lewis.

Rae Ann Johnson, vice-president; Pauline Kinsinger, treasurer; Joan Lewis, secretary; Nancy Luginbuhl, president.



The Future Homemakers of America is a national organization open to girls from freshmen through seniors who are taking or have taken one semester of home economics.

The purpose of FHA is to promote interest in, and appreciation of, those things which make for better homes and communities. The girls work toward these purposes by meeting their national objectives.

The theme for this year was "In Peace There Is Harmony" and the motto was "Towards New Horizons."

Some of the activities for this year were attending a county rally, visiting the children's home, sponsoring a dance, and putting on the annual style show, where the girls model the clothes they have made. The club advisor is Miss Patton.

BUCHER'S SOHIO STATION Claire Bucher and Tom Bucher Main and Jefferson Bluffton, Ohio

FFA Boys Study Vocation





SEATED: Richard Bucher, secretary; Marvin Augsburger, vice-president; Gary Zimmerman, president; Gene Balmer, treasurer. STANDING: Mr. Overmyer, advisor; Joe Steiner, sentinel; Jim Motter, reporter.

FFA meetings were held in the Ag, where a large variety of programs were presented.

The Future Farmers of America, or FFA, as it is commonly called, is a national organization for boys studying vocational agriculture in public secondary schools.

FFA activities include livestock and soil judging, contests in parliamentary procedure and public speaking, and participation in the county fair.

Local activities are pest hunting, basketball games, and the annual Parent-Son Banquet. Regular meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of every month with the help of the advisor, Mr. Overmyer.

SEATED: Gene Balmer, Jim Dillman, Tom Bogart, Larry Mast, Richard Herr, Paul Kloeppel, Jack Kibele. BACK ROW: Ken Bucher, Gary Zimmerman, Ron Steiner,

Joe Steiner, Jim Motter, Richard Bucher, Marvin Augsburger, Roy Schmutz, Dave Montgomery, Dennis Swank, Jack Reichenbach.



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Tri-Hi-Y Strives For High Ideals



ROW ONE: Linda Reichenbach, Karyl Gratz, Karen Diller, Sally Emmert, Gayle Gerber, Miss Keel, advisor, Elaine Naas, Beth Balmer, Margo Reichenbach, Dolores Lugibihl, Joyce Eikenbary. ROW TWO: Rae Ann Johnson, Midori Oyamada, Linda Baber, Barb Eastman, Sue Ewing, Cynthia Weaver, Linda Swank, Leslie Amstutz, Joan Lewis, Mirian Augsburger. ROW THREE: Bonnie DeVier, Diane Lugin-

buhl, Elaine Baker, Shirley Swank, Karen Schmidt, Jane Herr, Coletta Lora, Betty Thomas, Laura Yoder, Marcia Travis, Dian Badertscher. ROW FOUR: Janette Benroth, Jayne Barnett, Nancy Luginbuhl, Bobbie Heiks, Pam Triplett, Susan Lehman, Sandra Dillman, Kathy Osborne, Jeanne Waidmann, Linda Crawfis, Kay Motter. MISSING: Jean Purves.

Tri-Hi-Y, in affiliation with the Lima Y.M.C.A., is a Christian organization open to girls of all denominations who are in grades ten through twelve.

The purpose of the club is "to create, maintain, and extend, throughout the home, school and community, high standards of Christian character."

The motto is "pure thoughts, pure words, pure actions."

Some of the year's highlights included the candlelight

induction service at the Methodist Church, the Sweetheart Dance, and visits to the Mennonite Memorial Home and the Allen County children's home. Miss Keel is the club advisor.



SEATED: Jean Purves, vice-president; Coletta Lora, president; Nancy Luginbuhl, secretary. STANDING: Laura Yoder, treasurer; Sally Emmert, chaplain.



The meetings, held the first and third Tuesdays of every month, were conducted by Coletta Lora.

Boys Set High Standards





Tom Brauen, secretary; Dan Luginbuhl, chaplain; Steve Sutermeister, treasurer; Brice Balmer, president.

Mr. Brown and some of the Hi-Y boys plan the program of the next meeting.

The Hi-Y, affiliated with the Lima Y.M.C.A. and the national Y.M.C.A. movement, is a brother organization to the Tri-Hi-Y. The club is open to any sophomore, junior, or senior boy who is interested. The club is non-denominational and stresses high Christian standards and clean living.

Activities this year included a joint induction service and a joint caroling night with the Tri-Hi-Y. The boys also sponsored a dance and sent two representatives to the Youth in Government program of the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Brown is the advisor of the Hi-Y.

ROW ONE: Jim Irwin, Steve Sutermeister, Tom Brauen, Brice Balmer, Dan Luginbuhl, Greg Emans, Steve Clark, Kip Stratton. ROW TWO: Dennis Gable, Sam Reineke, Jim Sheets, Jan Benroth, Tom Edwards, Rich Little, John Mericle. ROW

THREE: Don Patterson, Dave Burkholder, Lynn Basinger, Fred Rodabaugh, Greg Myers, Larry Crow, Lee Cookson, Mr. Brown, advisor.



Sports Interest Girls In GAA



FRONT ROW: Katie Myers, Sandra Dillman, Susan Lehman, Kathy Osborne, Shirley Swank, Sally Emmert, Mrs. Sutermeister, advisor; Marcia Travis, Laura Yoder, Brenda Moser, Geraldine Tschantz, Kay Rodabaugh, Sharon Basinger. ROW TWO: Carol Steiner, Mary Augsburger, Linda Steinman, Carol Basinger, Betty Thomas, Carol Pimlott, Carmela Adams, Gloria Habegger, Linda Crawfis, Cheryl Martin, Pauline Kinsinger, Kay Motter, Sue Marshall, Mary Benroth. ROW THREE: Yvonne Niswander, Janette Benroth, Patty Klingler, Greta Purves, Lu Ann Shetler, Diane Conrad, Sue Cupples, Ann Bucher, Diana Cole, Jane Steiner, Linda Baber, Elaine Baker,

Jayne Barnett. ROW FOUR: Connie Habegger, Linda Bucher, Nancy Luginbuhl, Bobbie Heiks, Ellen Johnson, Delores Lugibill, Beth Balmer, Joyce Eikenbary, Margo Reichenbach, Karen Schmidt, Jane Herr, Pam Triplett, Janet Martz, Mary Zimmerman, Ruth Henry. ROW FIVE: Bonnie DeVier, Joan Lewis, Anita Augsburger, Julie Klingler, Sue Swank, Barb Eastman, Leslie Amstutz, Carolyn Fisher, Midori Oymada, Linda Swank, Clarlene Main, Linda Reichenbach, Cynthia Weaver, Loretta Fisher, Vicky Harris. MISSING: Jean Purves, Barb Balmer.

The Girls' Athletic Association is an organization which promotes interest in sports, physical efficiency, scholarship, fellowship, sportsmanship, and co-operation.

Under the direction of Mrs. Sutermeister the GAA is a very active group. It's program includes intramural tournaments in kickball, volleyball, and badminton. A bicycle hike to Pandora Park was one of the year's highlights. A turn-about dance was also sponsored by the club.

Freshman initiation involved a clue hunt and an unusual dress-up day for the new members. The GAA is open to any interested senior high school girl.



A kickball tournament was one of the most enjoyed projects of the year.



Marcia Travis, president; Shirley Swank, secretary; Joan Lewis, treasurer; Barbara Heiks, vice-president; Kathy Osborne, intramural manager.

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Varsity B Is Reorganized



This year, one of the Varsity B's main projects was the sale of the Bluffton Pirate seat cushions at various football games during the season.

Bluffton's Varsity B was reactivated this year under the direction of Mr. Osborne. In reorganizing the club, various members contacted a number of varsity clubs in the area and studied their constitutions, activities, functions, and purposes.

The Varsity B is open to all boys who are interested in sports and who have lettered in a varsity sport. The club's purpose is "Clean Sports And Clean Living."

Some of this years activities included sponsor a dance, selling programs and Pirate Pillows at the games.

ROW ONE: Mike Reichenbach, Rodger Benroth, Jerry Weaver, Tom Brauen, Tom Warren, Tom Criblez, Dan Luginbuhl. ROW TWO: Bob Badertscher, Joe Steiner, Steve Sutermeister, Gene Balmer, Gary Zimmerman, Charles Baker, Larry Crow,

Tom Basinger. ROW THREE: Sam Reineke, Ken Luginbihl, Fred Rodabaugh, Steve Clark, Dave Travis, Jim Motter, Larry Amstutz, Mr. Osborne, Advisor.



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EX-CELL-O CORPORATION Bluffton, Ohio

Mixed Choir Represents Best



ROWONE: Loretta Fisher, Norma Bucher, Jane Herr, Elaine Baker, Carol Basinger, Lu Ann Shetler, Shirley Swank, Karen Diller, Elaine Naas, Brenda Moser, Barbara Heiks, Miriam Augsburger, Laura Yoder, Dolores Lugibill, Sharon Gratz, Diana Hilty, Linda Bucher, Diane Luginbuhl, Barb Eastman. ROWTWO: Midori Oymada, Cheryl Martin, Sally Emmert, Sue Cupples, Sandy Dillman, Shirley Deppler, Cheryl Dalke, Coletta Lora, Barb Nusbaum, Jean Purves, Ann Bucher, Jayne Barnett, Marcia Travis, Nancy Luginbuhl, Susan Lehman, Gayle Gerber, Bonnie DeVier, Dorothy Lugibill.

ROW THREE: Gene Lehman, Harry Greding, Jim Emmert, Jim Sheets, Junior Davis, Harold Waidmann, George Traucht, Cliff Eastman, Jim Augsburger, Ron Steiner, Ken Bucher, Blaine Bauman, Jim Basinger, Steve Niswander, Tom Bell, Tom Criblez, Don Patterson. ROW FOUR: Richard Bucher, Dan Luginbuhl, Gene Balmer, Ken Lugibihl, Larry Amstutz, Frank Luginbuhl, Loren Core, Larry Grant, Rick Davies, Brice Balmer, Gary Zimmerman, Steve Sutermeister, Jim Irwin, Dave Montgomery, Greg Myers.

The mixed choir of Bluffton High School is composed of approximately seventy select voices and represents the best vocal musicians in the school. The fine music produced by this group gives much pleasure not only to the members, but also to its many audiences.

Working steadily throughout the year under the capable leadership of Miss Souder, the choir presented excellent performances at chapels, assemblies, concerts, and music competitions.



Sally Emmert, secretary-treasurer; Richard Bucher, vice-president; Elaine Baker, president.



The mixed chorus sang "The Twelve Days of Christmas" for the Christmas chapel program.

Girls Enjoy Singing Together

The Bluffton High School Girls' Glee Club is composed of seventy girls, grades nine through twelve, who enjoy singing. Under the direction of Miss Souder, the girls meet twice a week to practice, chat, and enjoy themselves while they prepare for various performances. They sang for the PTA Christmas program with the boys' glee club. The glee club also performed at other concerts and some assemblies. In the spring they took part in music competitions.

This year, for the first time, the girls interested in joining this organization had to be auditioned. As a result, this year's group was one of the best girls' glees that the high school has ever produced.

The girls spent a lot of time and hard work getting ready for the Christmas music program. Here they are seen practicing "The Twelve Days of Christmas," one of their favorite numbers.

ROW ONE: Joan Lewis, Linda Swank, Loretta Fisher, Vicky Harris, Katie Meyers, Cynthia Weaver, Carol Steiner, Elaine Baker, Diana Hilty, Yvonne Niswander, Karyl Gratz, Norma Bucher, Diane Luginbuhl, Lee Huber, Midori Oyamada, Barb Eastman, Joyce Shaw, Connie Brauen, Dorothy Lugibihl. ROW TWO: Laura Yoder, Sue Ewing, Mary Augsburger, Janette Benroth, Sara Bixel, Cheryl Martin, Lu Shetler, Linda Crawfis, Sandra Dillman, Sue Lehman, Marcia Travis, Sharon Gratz, Nancy Luginbuhl, Linda Bucher, Bonnie DeVier, Sharon Dirmeyer, Mary Jane Benroth.

ROW THREE: Jayne Barnett, Kay Rodabaugh, Sally Emmert, Betty Thomas, Sue Cupples, Kathy Osborne, Margo Reichenbach, Bonnie Cook, Barb Nusbaum, Gayle Gerber, Bobbie Heiks, Brenda Moser, Ann Bucher, Dolores Lugibill, Jane Herr, Jerry Tschantz. ROW FOUR: Carol Basinger, Jeanne Waidmann, Barb Balmer, Pam Triplett, Karen Diller, Cheryl Dalke, Ellen Johnson, Jean Purves, Judy Harkness, Shirley Deppler, Elaine Naas, Shirley Swank, ColettaLora, Miriam Augsburger, Darlene Lovell.



Boys Glee Harmonizes



ROW ONE: Gene Lehman, George Traucht, Don Patterson, Cliff Eastman, Ken Bucher, Harry Greding, Tom Criblez, Fred Lintner, Jim Augsburger, Jim Basinger, Jim Emmert, Blaine Bauman. ROW TWO: Mark Amstutz, Junior Davis, Richard Bucher, Harold Waidmann, Dan Luginbuhl, Gene Balmer, Larry Amstutz, Ronald

Steiner, Tom Bell, Dave Montgomery, Steve Niswander, Jim Sheets. ROW THREE: Steve Sutermeister, Francis Harkness, Jim Irwin, Gary Zimmerman, Frank Luginbuhl, Loren Core, Larry Grant, Brice Balmer, Ricky Davies, Ken Luginbihl, Greg Myers.

Have you heard unusual sounds coming from the lower hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays? Fear not, 'tis just the boys' glee singing along during their sessions.

Boys' glee is open to all boys, grades 9-12 who want to sing. The glee sarg for the Christmas program and participated in the district contest during the spring.

Under the direction of Miss Souder, the boys worked hard practicing their music and everyone had a most enjoyable time.

Boys' glee practices are always interesting sessions—laughing, singing, noise, and wisecracks.



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Junior Band Works For Quality

The Bluffton High School Junior Band is steadily increasing in quality and quantity; the band is now composed of 40 seventh and eighth grade members.

In the fall the Junior Band practiced marching in order to be better prepared for Senior Band---the ultimate goal of each member.

This year's appearances included the Spring Concert and P. T.A. meetings. Under the direction of Miss Jo Souder, the group, while learning the basic essentials of becoming good instrumentalists and musicians, enjoyed both practices and performances.



Junior band practices are held fourth period in the band room. Here they learned how to become good band musicians.

ROW ONE: Linda Bender, Connie Anderson, Judy Suter, Devon Bucher, Connie Haney, Martha Augsburger, Susie Hilty, Priscella Frisen, Jane Luginbuhl, Jim Henry, Debbie McKibben, Beth Daily, Richard Eddinger. ROW TWO: Mary Reichenbach, Mona Reichenbach, Connie Drummelsmith, Susan Griffin, Darrel Richards, Greg Luginbuhl, Ricky Emmert, Alan Amstutz, Judy Lehman, Emily Hammon, Jerry Kloeppel, Barb Wingate, Cheryl Shield, Barbara Martz, Henry Burkholder. ROW THREE:

Nancy Bucher, Nancy Mericle, Janis Luginbill, Phylis Winkler, Jane Basinger, Darrel Shields, David Hohenbrink, Dan King, Dan Steiner, Fred Steiner, Barb Basinger, Rex Reichenbach, Terry Sherman, Nolan Bucher. ROW FOUR: Gene Benroth, Carol Koontz, Candy Swank, Yvonne Agner, Joyce Reichenbach, Miss Souder, James Emmert.



HERMIE'S HAM HAVEN Hermie Skutch, prop. Findlay, Ohio

Outstanding Musicians Take



KNEELING: Joy Hilty, Loretta Fisher, Joyce Eikenbary, Sue Cupples, Karen Mericle. ROW ONE: Ricky Emmert, Nancy Bucher, Cynthia Weaver, Judy Suter, Barbara Marquart, Janice Lugibihl, Mary Jane Benroth, Janet Martz, Kay Rodabaugh, Coletta Lora, Greta Purves, Delbert Gratz, Sue Marshall, Mary Reichenbach, Daryl Richard, Connie

Anderson, Daryl Shields, Mona Reichenbach. ROWTWO: Gayle Gerber, Katie Myers, Connie Haney, Diane Luginbuhl, Priscilla Friesen, Cheryl Shields, Jeff Emans, George Traucht, Linda Baber, Ken Bucher, Darlene Lovell, Jeanne Waidmann, Judy Lehman, Nolan Bucher, Gene Lehman, Jane Herr, Tom Foltz, Debbie McKibben, Beth Dailey, Linda Bender.



Since the ninth period was put in the schedule, senior band was able to have full band rehearsal almost every day.

Charlotte Phillips, secretary-treasurer; Coletta Lora, president; Laura Yoder, vice-president.



Part in B.H.S. Senior Band



ROW THREE: Margo Reichenbach, Shirley Deppler, Laura Yoder, Elaine Naas, Charlotte Phillips, Jeray Moser, Miriam Augsburger, Jerry Weaver, Judy Harkness, Mark Amstutz, Larry Grant, Jean Purves, Barb Balmer, Brice Balmer, Terry Sherman, Jim Sheets, Beth Balmer, Jane Luginbuhl, Norma Bucher. ROW FOUR: Greg Triplett, Richard Bucher, Diana Hilty,

Linda Crawfis, Cheryl Martin, Sandy Dillman, Jayne Barnett, Mark Schumacher, Lu Shetler, Vicky Harris, Dale Dalke, Barbara Basinger, Fred Steiner, Rex Reichenbach, Jim Emmert, Harold Waidmann, Phil Basinger.

This year the Bluffton High School band, marching seventy-two strong, performed precision drill half-time shows at all the Pirate football games. The band, besides providing music for pep meetings and basketball games, participated in several concerts and music competitions during the year. Money raising projects were selling candy bars and serving the Farmers' Grain banquet. Several members attended the music camp at Ohio University this summer, and others played in the area Festival Band. A great deal of appreciation is owed to Miss Souder, the director of this fine group.

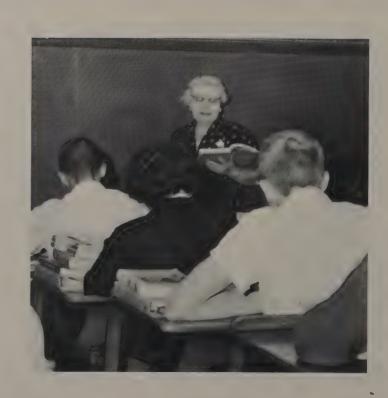


MAJORETTES-Joyce Eikenbary, head majorette; Sue Cupples, Joy Hilty, Karen Mericle. MISSING: Loretta Fisher.



... The People















Class of 1963 Remembers

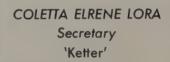


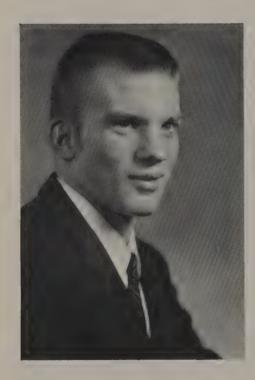
KENNETH PAUL LUGIBIHL
President
'Ken'





ELAINE BAKER Vice-President 'Wilms'





RODGER EUGENE BENROTH
Treasurer
'Benny'

Each year one class leaves Bluffton High School and goes forth to take its place in this rapidly changing world. After twelve years of schooling, it doesn't seem possible that it is now our turn, as the Class of 1963, to leave.

It seems only a short time ago, that wide-eyed with excitement, we entered the building as seventh graders. It was a momentous six years--six years of education, fun, growing up, and slowly coming to realize the responsibilities of adulthood. All of our schooling has been important in preparing for our future, and we appreciate our teachers' understanding and consideration during this precious time.

When we were sophomores we received our first big school experience--our class rings came. As juniors, working for our trip to Washington and New York, we performed the play "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." We spent months preparing and worrying over our Junior-Senior Prom, "Enchanted Evening." Our multitude of class money-making projects will never escape recollection in our minds----football and basketball concessions, bake sales, home-made Pirate pom-poms, dances, paper drives, tax stamps, plays, Christmas cards, candy, magazine sales, bottle caps, pizza and See-Clear.

Their Years Spent at B.H.S.



GLEN MARVIN AUGSBURGER
'Marvin'



LINDA KAY BABER
'Kay'



ROBERT ALLEN BADERTSCHER
'Bob'



BRICE HENRY BALMER
'Brice'



CAROL JEAN BASINGER
'Carol'



LYNN LEE BASINGER 'Skinny'

We will always fondly remember those "special" times during a football or basketball game when we were so proud to say, "I'ma Pirate".. . . the warmth and closeness of friends uptown after a game.. . our class meetings where nothing ever got accomplished discussions during a class or club . . . noontime talks around the cafeteria tables and over the cafeteria noise . . . assemblies and music contests . . . how can we ever forget!! Nor will we forget the wonderful and lasting friendships we've

made during our twelve years of school.

As we leave Bluffton High School with a mixed feeling of joy and sadness, recalling the pleasant memories it has cast upon us, we, the class of 1963 say to you who remain, "Under your leadership may the school carry on its traditions and may you bring much honor to it." Where we once stood, you now stand. We are finished; you are just beginning. You carry with you always our sincere wishes for your success.



PHIL RAY BASINGER
'Phil'



THOMAS LLOYD BRAUEN
'Tom Brown'



MICHAEL EUGENE BROWN
'Mike'



LINDA JANE BUCHER
'Boo'



RICHARD WAYNE BUCHER 'Rich'



JUDITH KAY CHIDESTER 'Judy'







THOMAS LYNN CRIBLEZ 'Kribs'



CHERYL ANN DALKE
'Cheryl'



RICHARD McELROY DAVIES 'Ricky'



KAREN BURKHOLDER DEERHAKE
'Karen'



SHARON KAYE GRATZ
'Sharon'



At noontime senior boys could always be found hanging around somewhere.



Seniors relax in the gym watching a basketball game between juniors and seniors at noon.



CONSTANCE ANN HABEGGER 'Connie'



FRANCIS EUGENE HARKNESS 'Horse'



DOROTHY FAYE HARTMAN 'Dot'



BARBARA ELIZABETH HEIKS 'Bobbie'



DIANA SUE HILTY 'Sue'



Football concessions at all home games provided money, work, worries, headaches, and fun for all seniors. It was one of the main projects of

the year.



JAMES ROSS IRWIN

'Ross'



RAE ANN JOHNSON 'Rae Ann'



PAULINE ANN KINSINGER 'Pauline'



DAN RENE LUGINBUHL 'Rene'



NANCY ELLEN LUGINBUHL 'Nanc'



CHERYL SUE MARTIN 'Churl'



BRENDA RAE MOSER 'Brinder'









JAMES DEWAYNE MOTTER
'Duke'



KAREN MUNCH 'Karen'



MIDORI OYAMADA
'Mimi'



Cleaning up the stadium on Saturday mornings after games was part of the fun (!!??) of having concessions and being a senior.

CAROL JUNE PIMLOTT 'Carol'



NORMAN DALE REICHENBACH 'Norman'



LINDA LEE STEINMAN 'Linda'





STEVEN ALAN SUTERMEISTER 'Sutie'



ELIZABETH ANN THOMAS 'Betty Ann'



MARCIA WARING TRAVIS 'Marcia'



TIMOTHY JOHN WARREN 'Joe'



GERALD ELWOOD WEAVER 'Jerry'



LAURA JEAN YODER 'Thelms'



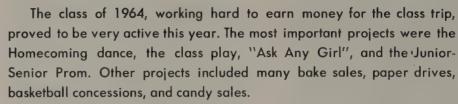




Juniors Work Toward Trip



Jean Purves
President



The Juniors were represented by cheerleaders, majorettes, fine athletes, band members, and many other organizations. Under the capable guidance of Miss Patton and Mr. Overmeyer, the class of 1964 had a very successful year.



Ellen Johnson Vice-President



Howard Amstutz



Jim Amstutz



Jane Herr Secretary



Leslie Amstutz



Miriam Augsbruger



Roger Augsburger



Barbara Eastman Treasurer



Dian Badertscher



Beth Balmer



Gene Balmer



Jan Benroth



Tom Benroth



Ann Bucher



Ken Bucher



Norma Bucher



Dave Burkholder



Steve Clark



Loren Core



Larry Crow



Shirley Deppler



Bonnie DeVier



Jim Diller



Karen Diller



Tom Edwards



Joyce Eikenbary



Greg Emans



Sally Emmeri



Sue Ewing



Gayle Gerber



David Gratz



Tom Jennings



Ronald Lehman



Joan Lewis



Dorothy Lugibihl



Delores Lugibil



Diane Luginbuhl



Barbara Marquart



Diana Mathewson



Karen Meride



Dave Mongomery



Jean Montgomery





Elaine Naas



Charlotte Philips



Mike Reichenbach



Karen Schmidt



Roy Schmutz



Bill Schmucher



Joyce Shaw



Joe Steiner



Dennis Swank



Shirley Swank



Gary Zimmerman



"Moonlight and Roses", the theme of the 1962 Homecoming, was planned and presented by the Junior Class. This was one of the most important projects of the year. Here Joyce Eikenbary is seen decorating the gym for the dance.

Sophomores Make Their Mark









Sandra Dillman





Tom Augsburger Treasurer

The class of '65 is an active group. We claim band members, majorettes and cheerleaders. Many of our boys are active in sports. Our girls joined Tri-Hi-Y and our boys joined Hi-Y.

An important event was the arrival of our class rings. Although we are not planning a class trip, we are working hard to earn money for the Junior-Senior Prom. We are a part of the high school in every way. Mrs. Nussbaum and Mr. Osborne are our class advisors.





























Larry Amstutz Tom Bogart

Jayne Barnett Doug Browne

Tony Bash Diane Conrad

Tom Basinger Bonnie Cook

Tom Bell Lee Cookson

Mike Bennett Linda Crawfis

Janette Benroth Sue Cupples

Junior Davis Larry Grant

Jim Dillman Karyl Gratz

Sharon Dirmeyer Terry Habegger

Loretta Fisher Sue Hardwick

Tom Foltz Judy Harkness

Dennis Gable Ruth Ann Henry

John Geiser Richard Herr



































Dennis Morrison

Larry Moser

Jeray Moser

Kay Motter



June Montgomery

Charlene Main

John Mericle



Freshmen Enjoy High School



Jim Basinger President



George Traucht Vice-President



Mary Jane Benroth Secretary



Harry Greding Treasurer

"Freshman"—didn't that sound wonderful! We thought that we would never make it. During our freshman year the class participated in many activities and clubs. There was G.A.A., F.H.A., F.F.A. and many others.

Many of the boys were active in sports. Several of the girls were cheerleaders,

We are all looking forward to the day when we will be called "upper classmen." With our advisors, Mr. Brown and Mr. Wrights-













James Augsburger Blaine Bauman

man, we will surely enjoy our high school career.

reserve and freshman.

Carmela Adams Mary Augsburger

Mark Amstutz Barb Balmer

Sharon Basinger

Anita Augsburger

Dale Dalke Delbert Gratz Gloria Habegger

Clifford Eastman James Harnishfager

James Emmert Vidky Harris



Sara Bixel



Connie Brauen

Carolyn Fisher



Diana Cole





















Paula Harrison Greg Jeffers

Jack Kibele Wayne King





Paul Kloeppel Gene Lehman





Fred Lintner Yvonne Niswander

Sue Marshall Robert Orr

Janet Martz John Pannabecker

Larry Mast Greta Purves

Katie Myers Kay Rodabaugh

John Neidemire Shirlene Sommer

Lon Meneer Carol Steiner

Jane Steiner Sue Swank

James Stewart Greg Triplett

Mike Stewart Geraldine Tschantz

Bill Swank Harold Waidmann

G.A.A. initiation for freshman girls is amusing to upperclassmen and trying to these poor victims.





Experienced Eighth Graders Progress





Bruce Sommers

President

Priscilla Friesen Vice-President

Greg Luginbuhl Secretary-Treasurer

Nancy Mericle
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Since this is the second year in Bluffton High School for the eighth graders, all signs of greenness, which they exhibited last year, have disappeared.

They are an active and energetic class. They have that certain gleam in their eyes that says they know where they are heading and are on the way.

This year many of the boys on the undefeated Junior High team were eighth graders. Fifteen band members come from this class and they also claim three cheerleaders.

Large numbers of them turned out for the Junior High dances.

The advisors for this class are Mr. Hannon and Mr. Harris.





























Ed Amstutz Linda Jo Bender

Connie Anderson Gene Benroth

Ann Augsburger Julie Brauen

Jane Basinger Bill Brown

Louise Basinger Nolan Bucher

Wesley Beery Henry Burkholder

Christine Bell Joe Davies

Jon Diller Robert Hauenstein

Jeff Emans Jayne Herr

Sandra Fisher Robert Hilty

Garth Gerber Susie Hilty

Susan Griffin Don Hohenbrink

Emilie Hamman Dick Huber

Connie Haney Richard Johnson































Diane Kagy Bruce Marshall

Kim Kibele Connie Montgomery

Mark Kinsinger Dan Morrison

Gregory Lugibihl Ronnie Moser

Jane Luginbuhl Jeff Murray

Muriel Luginbuhl James Oppermann



Erma Orr Cheryl Shields

Mary Reichenbach Daryl Shields

Rex Reichenbach Terry Sherman

Daryl Richard John Skelly

Rose Rieman Dave Smucker

Peggy Ruggley Carl Sommer

Wesley Schmutz David Steiner

Greg Steiner Timm Triplett

James Steiner Louise Weaver

Terry Strahm Barbara Wingate

Judy Suter Phyllis Winkler

Sara Templin Mike Zimmerman

John Thomas



Active Class Joins High School



Richard Emmert President



Max Eastman Vice-President



Steve Stratton Treasurer



Janice Lugibihl Secretary

Everyone running the wrong way--worrying about what class is next--which floor is that room on--l can't find that book--who'd you say that teacher was--and many other little problems. This, as you've probably guessed, was the seventh grade at the beginning of the year. Although it didn't take most of them long to learn, there were a few stragglers.

With the help of Miss Keel and Mr. Cremean they elected officers and organized their class. They envisioned many glorious things for the future. Some of the activities they enjoyed were class parties, Junior High dances and games. The seventh graders claimed some athletes and a cheerleader.



Yvonne Agner Anne Balmer



Sherrie Albright Barbara Basinger





Gloria Aldridge Patty Benroth





Alan Amstutz Ron Benroth

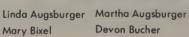














Mary Baker Nancy Bucher



Kay Burkholder



Larry Conrad



Beth Dailey



Barbara Diller



Jane Diller



Connie Drummelsmith Richard Edinger



Beverly Edwards



Larry Eikenbary



Robert Everett



Ricky Ewing



Sheryl Harrison

David Fett Sue Hauenstein

Bill Garrett William Havenstein

Linda Grant Jim Heiks

Todd Gratz James Henry

Raelene Habegger Jim Hilty

Doris Hamman William Hoffer

Kathy Haney Tony Houts



Cheryl Ingalls Carol Koontz

Denise Jeffers John Lehman

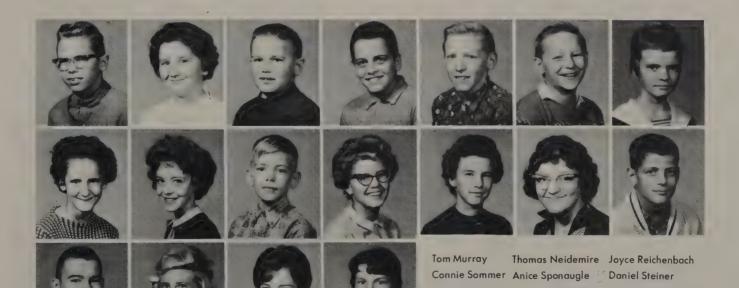
Roger Kagy Judy Lehman

Daniel King Martha Luginbuhl

Kent Kinsinger Debbie McKibben

Kathy Kirtland John Maag

Jerry Kloeppel Barbara Martz



Micheal Meneer Mona Reichenbach Frederick Steiner

Lynda Mericle Karen Fodabaugh Candy Swank

Tom Mericle Randy Shinn Ann Triplett

Don Moser Linda Soldan Judy Westrick



. The Instructors and Curriculum















School Board



Woodrow Little, Robert Barnett, Paul Steiner, Wade Huber, Arden Baker, A. B. Murray, Dr. Howard Shelly.

The hub of nearly all school affairs is the Bluffton High School Board of Education. Headed by President Howard Shelly, the board is responsible for adapting measures in the areas of school finance, school improvement, hiring of all school employees, and the general operation of the Bluffton schools.

Board meetings are held every two weeks on Tuesday evenings. Matters vital to the well-being of the school are discussed.



Mrs. Melvina Lewis, school secretary, is a familiar, friendly sight to students in the high school office.



School Administrators

A.B. Murray Superintendent

Mr. Murray received his B.A. at Bluffton College and his M.A. at Ohio State University, and has served as the superintendent of the Bluffton schools since 1949. Mr. Murray's office is usually filled with papers, people, or both, as a result of his responsibilities involving both the elementary school and the high school. Even with all his other duties, Mr. Murray serves as advisor for the Student Patrol.





Roy Schmunk Principal

The 1962-1963 school year marked Mr. Schmunk's fourth year as our principal. Since coming to Bluffton from McComb, he has taught science and been advisor of the National Honor Society in addition to carrying out his duties as principal of Bluffton High School. Mr. Schmunk received his B.A. at Findlay College and his M.A. at Bowling Green State University.

Excellent Teachers Head



OCIE ANDERSON

B.S. Waynesburg College
B.S. in Library Science
Western Reserve University
Seventh Grade Library Science
Library Club Advisor



E. A. BOSCH
B.S. Kent State University
Summer Language Institution in
French-Ohio State University
French I and II
English Nine and Twelve



GARY A. BROWN
B.S. Bluffton College
Physics
Seventh Grade Science
Ninth Grade Science
Freshman Class Advisor
Hi-Y Advisor



JOSEPH E. CREMEAN
A.B. Ohio Wesleyan University
M. of Ed. Bowling Green State University
Junior High Mathematics
F.T.A. Advisor

Miss Slusser and Mr. Schmunk discuss a problem during the noon lunch period. Evidently Miss Slusser isn't satisfied with something.



High School Faculty



FLORENCE R. DUFFIELD

B.S. Bowling Green State University
Typewriting I and II
Bookkeeping
Shorthand
Office Practice
Cutlass Business and Typing Advisor
Buccaneer Typing Advisor



WILFORD O. GEIGER
A.B. Bluffton College
M.A. Ohio State University
Biology
Chemistry
Drivers' Education
Buccaneer Photography Advisor



JOHN C. HANNAN
A.B. Marshall College
M.A. Ohio State University
American Government
Civics
Senior Mathematics
General Mathematics



JOE L. HARRIS
B.S. Miami University
M.S. Indiana University
Algebra I and II
Geometry
Advanced Mathematics
Varsity Basketball Coach
Baseball Coach
Junior High Football Coach



MILDRED R. KEEL
B.S. Ohio State University
M.A. Ohio State University
Latin I and II
Seventh Grade English
Tri-Hi-Y Advisor
Seventh Grade Advisor



MRS. FRANCES NUSSBAUM
A.B. Bluffton College
English Nine and Twelve
College English
Sophomore Class Advisor
Cutlass Staff Advisor



FRANK J. OSBORNE
B.A. Ohio Wesleyan University
Eighth Grade Social Studies
Health and Physical Education
Varsity Football Coach
Track Coach
Junior High Basketball Coach
Sophomore Class Advisor
Varsity B Advisor



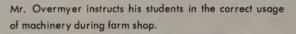
DONALD L. OVERMYER
B.S. Ohio State University
Vocational Agriculture Grades
Nine--Twelve
Eighth Grade Science
Junior Class Advisor
F.F.A. Advisor



MRS. KATHERYNE PATTERSON
A.B. Bluffton College
Seventh Grade Vocal Music



JANET L. PATTON
B.S. Ohio State University
Home Economics Grades
Eighth - Twelve
Junior Class Advisor
F.H.A. Advisor







THERESA F. SLUSSER
A.B. Bluffton College
M.A. Bowling Green State University
American History
World History
Seventh Grade Social Studies
Senior Class Advisor



MISS JO SOUDER

B.S. Conservatory of Music of
Cincinnati - University of
Cincinnati
High School Vocal Music
Eighth Grade Vocal Music
Elementary, Junior and Senior High
Instrumental



THEOLA SUTERMEISTER

B.S. Bowling Green State University
English Eight
Health and Physical Education
Senior Class Advisor
G.A.A. Advisor
Advisor to Cheerleaders



EMIL R. WHITE
B.S. Ohio State University
Elementary and High School Art
Art Advisor to Cutlass and
Buccaneer



ROLAND L. WRIGHTSMAN

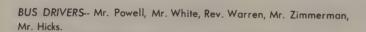
B.S. Bowling Green State University
Industrial Arts - Grades Eight-Twelve
Assistant Football Coach
Reserve Basketball Coach
Freshman Class Advisor
Buccaneer Staff Advisor



Mr. Schmunk, Mr. Overmyer, Mr. Hannan, Mr. Cremean, and Mrs. Nussbaum talk over various subjects at one of the teachers meetings.



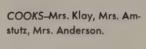
LIBRARIANS-Lois Criblez, Miss Ocie Anderson, June Hochstettler.





B.E.A.

The Bluffton Education Association consists of all the teachers in the Bluffton school system. Meetings are held so that the faculty members can discuss some of their problems within the school with other teachers. Conventions and meetings with other schools' faculties are included in the program of the B.E.A. Teachers, like students, must always be learning, and this is partly done through the B.E.A.





ENGINEERS-Millard Herr, Lawrence Rodabaugh, Duluth Strunk.





First year algebra students solve problems on the board.



Dan Luginbuhl and Jerry Weaver try a ballistics experiment in physics class.

Science and Math

Scientists, chemists, biologists and mathematicians are in greater demand each year as new scientific fields are opened. Excellent training is required for these professions. Seventh, eighth, and ninth grade students are given general science as a basic subject. In the higher grades students may take courses in the specific fields of biology, chemistry and physics. Classes in the related field of mathematics include algebra, geometry, and advanced algebra. College math, another new senior course, acquaints college-bound students with the fundamentals of higher math.



Sophomore biology students copy information for their notebooks.



Mr. Harris explains a math problem to his algebra class.



World history, taught by Miss Slusser, gives students the chance to learn about civilization since its origin.



Mr. Osborne instructs sophomore boys in good health practices and measures.

History, Health and Gym

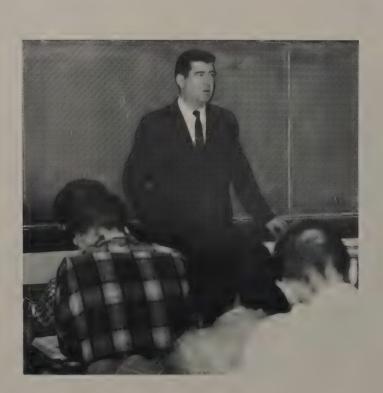
Susan Lehman watches to see if Janette Benroth's shot is good during sophomore girls' gym class.



Mr. Hannan explains the powers of congress to the first period senior American government class.

Junior high social studies, American and world histories, and American government classes are designed to give Bluffton students an understanding of their nation's and world's history and governments. This knowledge will serve them in many ways in a world where history repeats itself, and it is necessary to know about other nations and their political systems.

Health and physical education teach young people to take care of themselves both physically and mentally.





Miss Duffield explains the home key position to the first year typing class.



Vocational agriculture prepares boys who plan to enter some field of agriculture when they graduate.

Vocational Courses

The vocational courses at Bluffton--home economics and agriculture--prepare those students who have already decided upon their future occupation in one of these areas. They receive training in their chosen profession through actual experience.

Although not exactly vocational in nature, industrial arts and commercial courses provide students with guidance in subjects that will be invaluable to them either in their occupations or in their lives in some way.

All these courses are open to any ninth through twelfth grader.



Home economics students make outfits for themselves as one of their projects. Later they model them at the spring fashion show.



Mr. Wrightsman helps Henry Burkholder with his shop project in eighth grade industrial arts.



Art students concentrate on their work in one of the art courses given at B.H.S.



Seventh graders learn to use the library under the instruction of Miss Anderson.

Arts and Music



The clarinet section of the senior band shows its form as they practice during the ninth period.

Drivers' education students inspect the engine of the drivers' ed car. Mr. Geiger is the instructor.

Many students interested in art or music either as a cultural background or as extra activities are found in these two departments. Bluffton offers two high school art classes, two glee clubs, a mixed choir, and two bands.

Drivers' education classes are provided for students wishing to learn to drive correctly. Laws, regulations, and automobile safety are taught.

Library classes are required of all seventh graders to acquaint them with the library and how to use for their own benefit.





Gregg Luginbuhl receives instruction from Mrs. Sutermeister in eighth grade English class.



The junior English class students review their assignment during the class period.

Languages

In a world that is becoming smaller every day, a knowledge of foreign languages and an excellent background in English is absolutely necessary to almost everyone. At Bluffton, courses in English, French, and Latin provide for these needs. Two years each of French and Latin are offered to any interested student. Three years of high school English are required and the fourth year is taken by most students. A new course, College English, was started this year for those seniors who desire to go on to college, and who need a more advanced foundation in English.



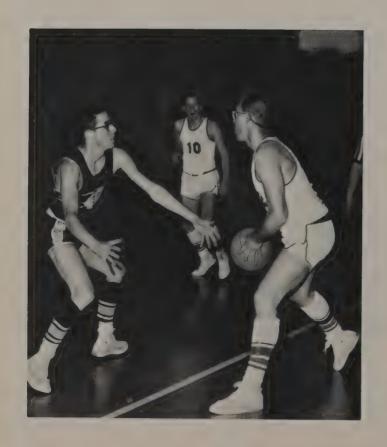
Marcia Travis and Elaine Baker study their French sentences for a test in second year French.



Blaine Bauman displays a Latin poster he made for Miss Keel's first year Latin class.



... Sports







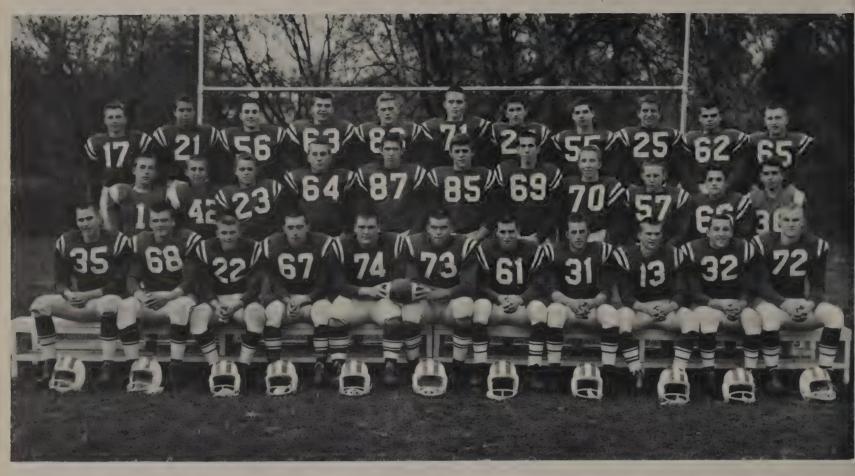








Pigskin Profiles



ROW ONE: Dave Travis, Larry Crow, Bob Badertscher, Steve Sutermeister, Joe Steiner, Jim Motter, Ken Lugibihl, Dan Luginbuhl, Rodger Benroth, Gene Balmer, Steve Clark. ROW TWO: Jim Basinger, Cliff Eastman, Tom Benroth, Dennis Swank, Paul Luginbuhl, Larry Amstutz, Greg Emans, Tom Bell, Tony Bash, John Pannabecker,

Philip Pannabecker. ROW THREE: Bill Swank, Dan Lehman, Dennis Gable, Dave Burkholder, Tom Basinger, Fred Rodabaugh, Charles Baker, Tom Bogart, Sam Reineke, Terry Habegger, Jim Dillman.

Bluffton's two coaches Osborne and Wrightsman discuss a play at the Leipsic game. Bluffton won, 19-16.



The 1962 version of the Pirate football team finished the season with a won-lost record of 2-7. After losing their first six games, the squad, behind the leadership of captain Rog Benroth and the fine running of senior halfback Bob Badertscher, came on strong at the end of the season to win two of the last three games. Coach Osborne is looking forward to next year when, with the experience gained this year, his younger returning lettermen should boast a fine record.



Gene Balmer makes a good-sized gain against Spencerville. Bluffton won this game, 27-14.



Rodger Benroth quarterback; center



Bob Badertscher halfback



Dan Luginbuhl end



Jim Motter

Senior Athletes



Joe Steiner center



Steve Sutermeister tackle; guard

Ken Lugibihl end

Varsity Football Scores

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Bluffton 6 Delphos	18
Bluffton 27 Spencerville	14
Bluffton 12 Columbus Grove	18
Bluffton 19 Leipsic	16

Jr. Hi Has Undefeated Season



ROW ONE: Bill Hauenstein, Jeff Emans, Terry Sherman, Gregory Lugibihl, Ed Amstutz, Bruce Marshall, Jim Steiner, Greg Steiner, John Skelly, Jim Oppermann. ROW TWO: Bill Garrett, Wesley Schmutz, Gregg Luginbuhl, Larry Eikenbary, Ronnie Moser, Joe Davies, David Steiner, Jon Diller. ROW THREE: Alan Amstutz, Bob Everett, Jack Thomas, Bruce Sommers, Henry Burkholder, Timm Triplett, Mr. Harris, coach. MISSING: John Lehman.

Bluffton 8
Lafayette 6
Bluffton 30
Leipsic 0
Bluffton 44
Pandora 0
Bluffton 22
Columbus Grove 0
Bluffton 32
Hardin-Northern 14
Bluffton 30
Waynesfield 6

The Hardin-Northern game, played at Harmon Field on a Saturday morning, proved to be a victory for the junior Pirates.



Under Mr. Harris' coaching, the junior high football team had an undefeated season this year. The members of the squad were seventh and eighth grade boys who had the interest and ability to play football. The junior Pirates met and conquered all the teams from neighboring schools in hard, well-fought battles. The games, played on Saturday mornings or after school, were well attended and worth while.

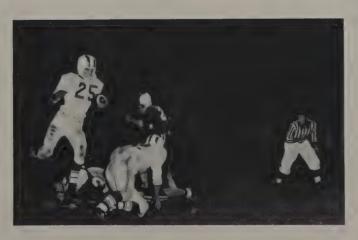
The boys of the team learned and displayed excellent sportsmanship and the qualities which every good football player needs. All of them look eagerly toward the day when they will become part of the Pirate varsity football team.



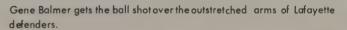
Bob Badertscher and Fred Rodabaugh move in to stop Pandora's Reichenbach.



Gregg Luginbuhl goes up all alone for a basket during a freshman game with Delphos.



Sophomore quarterback Sam Reineke darts in toward paydirt against Spencerville.





Varsity Basketball



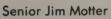
KNEELING: Mike Reichenbach, Tom Brauen, Tim Warren, Rodger Benroth. STANDING: Dan Luginbuhl, Richard Bucher, Gary Zimmerman, Jim Irwin, Steve Clark, Jim Motter, Larry Crow, Steve Sutermeister.



"Boys, now that's the way I see it; go out and win!!!!"

The Bluffton Pirates basketball team struggled to a 1-15 record in their first 16 games of the '62-'63 season, with their line win coming over Beaverdam. An overtime loss to Spencerville and a near upset of Putman county power Kalida were other highlights of the season. Through most of the season Coach Harris started two seniors, two juniors, and one sophomore, with the bulk of the scoring being done by the three underclassmen. Many other underclassmen gained valuable experience on the reserve team, which showed fine hustle and desire in compiling a 6-7 record.







Senior Tom Brauen



Senior Dan Luginbuhl

	Bluffton 32 Perry	76					
	Bluffton 54 Gomer	84					
	Bluffton 64 Beaverdam	54					
HOLIDAY TOURNAMENTS							
	Bluffton 34 Cory Rawson	54					
	Bluffton 31 Pandora	41					
	Bluffton 44	74					
	Bluffton 36 Pandora	47					

Bluffton 43 Columbus Grove 62
Bluffton 51 Elida 60
Bluffton 37 Delphos Jefferson 90
Bluffton 35
Bluffton 58 Kalida 64
Bluffton 49 Lafayette 53
Bluffton 62 Spencerville 63

Senior Jim Irwin



Senior Steve Sutermeister



Senior Rodger Benroth



Reserve Basketball



KNEELING: Rich Little, Sam Reineke, Tom Augsburger, Gene Balmer, Tom Basinger, Core, Dave Travis, Larry Crow, Mike Reichenbach.

Jim Dillman, Don Patterson. STANDING: Greg Myers, Fred Rodabaugh, Loren



Gary Zimmerman watches hopefully while one of his teammates vies for a rebound against a Lafayette opponent.

Reserve Scores

Bluffton 31 Perry 40
Bluffton 44
Bluffton 40 Beaverdam 21
Bluffton 30
Bluffton 33 Pandora 39
Bluffton 39
Bluffton 34 Columbus Grove 39
Bluffton 41 Elida 48
Bluffton 51 Delphos 38
Bluffton 30
Bluffton 47 Kalida 25
Bluffton 34 Lafayette 29
Bluffton 46 Spencerville 29

Freshman Basketball



George Traucht, Cliff Eastman, Harry Greding, Jim Stewart, Larry Mast, Jim Basinger, Bill Swank, Gene Lehman.

Jr. High Basketball



KNEELING: Ed Amstutz, Bruce Marshall, Gregg Luginbuhl, Rex Reichenbach, Larry Eikenbary, David Smucker. STANDING: Mike Meneer, Rick Emmert, Rich Ewing, Max Eastman, Todd Gratz, Richard Johnson, Bruce Sommers.

Varsity Cheerleaders



Linda Steinman; Shirley Swank; Sally Emmert, cheermaster; Barbara Eastman.

Four of the most energetic, busy girls in the high school are the young ladies who are Bluffton's varsity cheerleaders. They can be seen at all the football and basketball games, where they call on an unending supply of pep and energy to lead the crowd in cheers for the Pirate teams.

Aside from these duties, the girls plan and present pep meetings, make posters and signs for the games, try to keep up school spirit and morale, and are always ready to give encouragement to a discouraged fan or athlete. Bluffton's cheerleaders are to be commended for the fine job they have done this year in a never ending task.



Some last minute preparations are made for one of the pep meetings.





Reserve Cheerleaders

Sandra Dillman, cheermaster; Janette Benroth; Mary Jane Benroth; Vicky Harris.

Freshman Cheerleaders



Mary Augsburger; Jerry Tschantz; Sue Swank; Katie Myers, cheermaster.



Junior High Cheerleaders

Ann Triplett; Susie Hilty, cheermaster; Nancy Mericle, Louise Weaver.



. School Life













Homecoming Is Highlight



The entire Homecoming court was made up of Jim Motter, Marcia Travis, Rodger Benroth, Queen Linda Steinman, Nancy Luginbuhl, and Bob Badertscher, with Tammi Amstutz as flower girl and Tommy Clark as crown-bearer.

The faces of the girls relate excitement and joy at some successful football maneuver out on the field.



Although everyone knew that Nancy Luginbuhl, Linda Steinman, and Marcia Travis had been elected to the Homecoming court, no one knew the exact identity of the girl who would reign over the Bluffton - Delphos game. That night it was revealed that Linda had been chosen the 1962 Homecoming Queen.

The queen and her attendants were escorted by Mike Brown, Ricky Davies, and Tim Warren. Before the game the girls received necklaces from the football captain Rodger Benroth and co-captains Bob Badertscher and Jim Motter. The queen got a silver football necklace, and her attendants, gold ones. Then, from their seats of honor, the girls cheered the Pirates on, though when the gun went off, the score was Bluffton 6, Delphos 18.

The official crowning took place at the Homecoming Dance in the high school gymnasium. The queen and her court danced the first dance with the captain and co-captains.

Joe Steiner and Joan Lewis, two industrious juniors, don't look very healthy as they prepare the decorations for the Homecoming Dance held after the game.



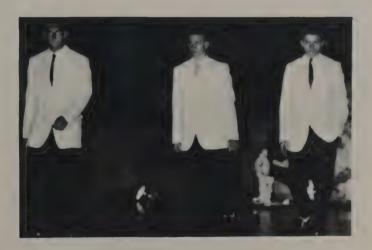
Bluffton College

Compliments Of 'The Truth Makes Free'

Bluffton, Ohio



Attendant Marcia Travis, Attendant Nancy Luginbuhl, Queen Linda Steinman.



ABOVE: The three escorts "happily" leave the floor. BELOW: It's every girl's dream to be a queen and here is a dream fulfilled.



GERBER'S STUDIO Bluffton, Ohio

The queen and her court traditionally dance the first dance of the evening. Something seems to be quite amusing to at least these two girls.



URICH'S I.G.A. FOODLINER Bluffton, Ohio

Juniors Present "Ask Any Girl"

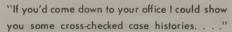


"You can save my life! No matter what you're making now, I'll give you a raise."

"Ask Any Girl" was presented by the Junior Class on November 16 and 17. One of the main characters in the comedy was Meg Wheeler, a small-town girl who moved to New York on the pretense of developing her character, personality, and poise. What Meg was really interested in was "catching a man", which she finally did in the person of Miles Doughton, head of a Madison Avenue advertising agency.

The play was directed by Mrs. Nussbaum with Gayle Gerber assisting as student director.

The juniors put much hard work into their play which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.





"You see, operator, our bill for collect calls last month was thirty-three dollars!"





THE CAST--Meg Wheeler-Sally Emmert, Mrs. Wheeler-Elaine Naas, Mr. Wheeler-Jim Diller, Aunt Fern-Karen Mericle, Aunt Lettie-Bonnie DeVier, Ada-Jean Purves, Lisa-Joyce Eikenbary, Ruby-Shirley Deppler, Heidi-Barbara Eastman, Jeannie-Shirley Swank, Terrie-Ellen Johnson, Vince-Greg Emans, Alvin-Larry Crow, Miles Doughton-Steve Clark, Evan Doughton-Tom Edwards, Ellen-Karen Schmidt, Jane-Karen Diller.



Bowling League

The thirty members of the Bluffton High School Bowling League are divided into ten teams. These teams compete for high scores, Wednesdays after school at the South Gate Lanes.

Several students relax while the other team members bowl.

Senior Ensemble

The Senior Girls' Ensemble, which has been singing together for several years completes their singing career this year. They have participated in contests and sung for other activities.

THE MEMBERS ARE--Linda Bucher, Laura Yoder, Coletta Lora, Barbara Heiks, Marcia Travis, Brenda Moser, Carol Basinger, Diana Hilty, Cheryl Martin.



Junior Ensemble

The Junior Ensemble provided special music for various clubs, meetings and school functions. This group, which has been singing together for the past three years, also participated in the area contest.

THE ENSEMBLE INCLUDES--Diane Luginbuhl, Miriam Augsburger, Dolores Lugibill, Jean Purves, Gayle Gerber, Sally Emmert, Jane Herr, Karen Schmidt, Bonnie DeVier.



Danny Lehman is neither an assembly nor a special event, as you well know. However, he gets his picture in the yearbook anyway.



The high school physical education classes put on a program for PTA on physical fitness. The sophomore girls demonstrated various acrobatic stunts and skills.



A beautiful Christmas tree was put up for the school by the Student Senate and was liked so well it remained standing for almost a month.

Assemblies And Special Events

Midori Oyamada, a Japanese girl who spent her senior year at Bluffton, demonstrates Japanese dancing at an assembly.





Ohio's governor in 1926, Micheal Di Salle, visited Bluffton and spoke at the high school.

Bluffton students were always hungry, and consequently, no matter where they were, they are.



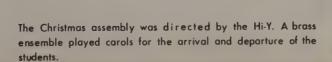
"My mother runs a beauty shop." One couldn't tell that this was true by the appearance of Mary Jane Benroth during G.A.A. freshman initiation.



Make This An Exceptional Year



In the fall the teachers had a picnic where they could all get together and have an enjoyable time eating and talking.





The Essence Of Our High School



"Don't look now, but you are about to fall into the evil clutches of a photographer."



"Never look a gift horse in the mouth."

A fire pep rally at football time brings out the excited

hordes of eager, victory-hungry Pirates.



"Thou wilt show my head to the people; it is worth showing."



"You needn't be trying to comfort me -I know that my dolly's dead! There's no use in saying she isn't, With a crack like that in her head."



Is The People And What They Do



"Which way is our goal again?"



"A typical scene of friendly B.H.S. students in the cafeteria after a basketball game.

"But how can I get into the dance if I've only got three herns left?"



"Kennedy can have his physical fitness. We're tired."



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"My but these noontime activities are interesting."



"Repent! The end of the world is at hand!"



"Oh where, oh where have the little boys gone? Oh where, oh where can they be?"



"We can be pushed just so far, boys. We now propose to fight it out on this line if it takes all winter."



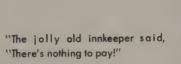
"We are ruined by Chinese cheap labor."



"Do nothing in haste except catching fleas and running from mad dogs."



"Parlez-vous français, Mlle. Bosch?
"Oui, je parle français, et vous?"





"How can we win if we've only got a total of 67 pins?"



"Don't shoot, colonel, I know when I'm a goner."



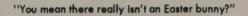
 $^{\prime\prime}\text{I}$ have not loved the world, nor the world loved $\,\text{me.}^{\prime\prime}$



"Dr. Livingstone, I presume?"



"She that is born a beauty is half married."





"Keep up appearances in whatever you do." Even if it goes to building snowmen during the week-long vacations from school because of snow.



"Give me your tired, your poor; your huddled masses yearning to breathe free; the wretched refuse of your teeming shore "

"When an old man's forsaken, tired and shaken, what can he do but die?"



"Yes, my boys, there is more to life than playing football — but not much."







.....and so we come to the end of the 1962-1963 school year at Bluffton High School. Games. . . . classes. . . . dances. . . . assemblies. tests. . . . everything--all are finished and done for another year. The seniors are gone. halls are empty. . . . classrooms are bare. silence reigns everywhere. Nothing is left except memories. But perhaps this is the best of all, for what good is anything we do if we can't remember.

Professional Directory

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Bluffton, Ohio
DR. HOWARD M. SHELLY, PHYSICIAN
Bluffton, Ohio
DR. J. W. HOUDESHELL, VETERINARIAN

Bluffton, Ohio

GORDON BIXEL, O.D.
Bluffton, Ohio
DR. FRANCIS BASINGER
DR. EVAN BASINGER
Bluffton, Ohio

Senior Directory

GLEN MARVIN AUGSBURGER

FFA 1,2,3,4, Vice-President 2,4, President 3; National FFA Convention 2; Soil Judging Team 1,2,3,4.

LINDA KAY BABER

Band 1,2,3,4, Secretary 2; Girls Glee 3; GAA 1,2,3,4; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3,4, Treasurer 3; Library Club 3,4, Secretary 4; Cutlass Staff 3,4, Assistant Business Manager 3, Business Manager 4; Bowling League 3,4, Treasurer 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Senate 3; Class Play 3; Girls' Basketball 2; Class Secretary 2; Scholarship Team.

ROBERT ALLEN BADERTSCHER

Football 1,3,4; Basketball 1; Track 1,2; Student Senate 4; Boys' Glee 3; Varsity "B" 4.

ELAINE BAKER

GAA 1,2,3,4, Secretary 2; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3,4; Class Play 3,4; Class Secretary 1; Class Vice-President 3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4, Accompanist 2,3; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4, Accompanist 4; Operetta 1; Cheerleader 1; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Patrol 4; Buccaneer Staff 3,4, Assistant Editor 3, Editor-in-Chief 4; Youth In Government 3; Boys' Glee Accompanist 4; Vocal Music President 4.

BRICE HENRY BALMER

Band 1,2,3,4; Boys' Glee 3,4; Mixed Chorus 3,4; Hi-Y 2,3,4, President 4, Treasurer 3; Library Club 3,4, Historian 4, Secretary 3; Class President 1; National Honor Society 3,4; Cheerleader 2; Buckeye Boys' State 3; Scholarship Team 2.

CAROL JEAN BASINGER

Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4, Vice-President 4; GAA 4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Girls' Ensemble 3,4; Operetta 1; YFC 1,2,3,4, Vice-President 3.

LYNN LEE BASINGER

Football 1,2; Track 1; Class Play 3; Hi-Y 4; Library Club 4.

PHLIP RAY BASINGER

Band 1,2,3,4; Industrial Arts Club 2.

RODGER EUGENE BENROTH

Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Track 1; Student Senate 2; Class Treasurer 3,4; Varsity "B" 4; FTA 2,3,4, Treasurer 4; Student Patrol 4, Chairman 4; Science Club 2.

THOMAS LLOYD BRAUEN

National Honor Society 3,4; Hi-Y 2,3,4, Secretary 3,4; FTA 4; Student Patrol 4; Scholarship Team 3; Student Senate 1; Buckeye Boys' State 3; Class Play 3; Cutlass Staff 3,4, Assistant Editor 3, Editor-in-Chief 4;

Science Club 2; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Varsity "B" 4; Boys' Glee 3; Mixed Chorus 3; State Solo and Ensemble Contests 2,3; Band 1 2.3

MICHAEL EUGENE BROWN

Van Del--FFA 1; Bluffton--Football 3.

LINDA JANE BUCHER

GAA 2,3,4; Bowling League 3,4, Vice-President 3; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; FHA 1; Buccaneer Staff 3,4; Class Play 3,4, Student Director 3; Operetta 1; Girls' Ensemble 3.

RICHARD WAYNE BUCHER

Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4, Vocal Vice-President 4; Operetta 1; Class Play 4; Basketball 1,2,4; Band 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4, General Livestock Judging Team 1,2,3.

JUDITH KAY CHIDESTER

Girls' Glee 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; FHA 1,2,3,Vice-President 3, Junior Cook of the Year 1; GAA 1; Cutlass Typist 4.

THOMAS LYNN CRIBLEZ

Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; Varsity "B" 4; Buccaneer Staff 4, Sports Editor; State Science Day 1,3; Operetta 1; Scholarship Team 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4.

CHERYL ANN DALKE

Elbing, Kansas--Class Treasurer 2; Girls' Glee 1,2; Mixed Chorus 1,2; Pep Club 1,2. Bluffton--Girls' Glee 3,4; Mixed Chorus 3,4.

RICHARD MCELROY DAVIES

Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1.



The senior homeroom is always a scene of noise, confusion, laughing, arguing, class meetings, and little studying.

Senior Directory

KAREN BURKHOLDER DEERHAKE

GAA 1,2; FHA 1,2; Bowling League 3, Secretary 3; Girls' Glee 1; Cheerleader 1.

SHARON KAYE GRATZ

FHA 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1.

CONSTANCE ANN HABEGGER

Band 1,2,3; GAA 2,3,4; Bowling League 3; Buccaneer Staff 2; Cutlass Staff 3,4, News Editor 4; Girls' Basketball Team 2.

FRANCIS EUGENE HARKNESS

Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,4; Basketball 1; Track 2.

DOROTHY FAYE HARTMAN

FHA 3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3; Mixed Chorus 1,2; Operetta 1.

BARBARA ELIZABETH HEIKS

GAA 1,2,3,4, Vice-President 4; Operetta 1; Class Play 3,4; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3,4; Library Club 2,3,4, Vice-President 3, Historian 4; Cutlass Staff 3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3; FTA 3,4, Vice-President 4; Girls' Ensemble 3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Bowling League 3,4, Secretary 4: Class President 3.

DIANA SUE HILTY

Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1; GAA 1,2; Scholarship Team 2; National Honor Society 3,4, Secretary-Treasurer 4; Buccaneer Staff 4, Senior Editor 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Girls' Ensemble 3,4; YFC 1,2,3,4, Accompanist 2, Vice-President 3.

JAMES ROSS IRWIN

Basketball 1,3,4; Football 1; Baseball 4; Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1; Hi-Y 4; Library Club 4; Bowling League 1,2; Class Play 4.

RAE ANN JOHNSON

FHA 1,2,3,4, Historian 3, Chaplain 4, Vice-President 4; Girls' Glee 1; Operetta 1; Library Club 3,4; Tri-Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Buccaneer Staff 3,4, Typist 3,4; Science Club 2; Junior Cook of the Year 2; FHA Camp 2; YEC 1

PAULINE ANN KINSINGER

FHA 1,2,3,4, Treasurer 4; GAA 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee 1; Bowling League

COLETTA ELRENE LORA

Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4, Secretary-Treasurer 2; Band 1,2,3,4, President 4; GAA 1; FTA 2,3, President 3; Cheerleader 3; Tri-Hi-Y 3,4, President 4; Library Club 4; Class Vice-President 1; Class Secretary 4; Class Play 3,4; Cutlass Staff 4; Girls' Ensemble 3,4.

KENNETH PAUL LUGIBIHL

Class President 4; Football 2,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1; Varsity "B" 4; Stage Crew 3,4.

DAN RENE LUGINBUHL

Class Treasurer 1; Hi-Y 2,3,4, Chaplain 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,3; Boys' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1; Cutlass Staff 1,2; Buccaneer Photographer 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3; Student Senate 3; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Patrol 4; Class Play 3,4; Library Club 4; Youth in Government 3,4; FTA 2,3; Varsity "B" 4.

NANCY ELLEN LUGINBUHL

GAA 1,2,3,4; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3,4, Secretary 4; FHA 2,3,4, Reporter 2, Parliamentarian 3, President 4; Class Secretary 3; Student Senate 2; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 2,3,4; Operetta 1; Buckeye Girls' State 3; Bowling League 3,4, President 4; Class Play 3,4; Buccaneer Staff 4; Cheerleader 1; Homecoming Attendant 4.

CHERYL SUE MARTIN

Band 1,2,3,4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 2,3,4; Operetta 1; GAA 4; Buccaneer Staff 3, Assistant Business Manager; Bowling League 4; Girls' Ensemble 3,4; Class Play 3, Student Director.

BRENDA RAE MOSER

GAA 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3, Chaplain 3; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2,3,4; Operetta 1; Girls' Ensemble 3,4; Class Play 3,4, Student Director 3; YFC 1,2,3,4, President 3; Buccaneer Business Manager 4.



Here are two of the senior class's more eccentric members posing for a picture of their great interlocutory ability.

Senior Directory

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FFA 1,2,3,4, Sentinel 2, Reporter 3, Dairy Judging Team 1,2,3,4; Football 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Varsity "B" 4.

KAREN MUNCH

Wapakoneta--Pep Band 1,2,3; Latin Club 1,2.

MIDORI OYAMADA

Tokyo, Japan--Mountain Climbing 2,3; Music 1,2,3; English Club 1,2,3; Opera 2; Bluffton--Girls' Glee 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Tri-Hi-Y 4.

CAROL JUNE PIMLOTT

GAA 2,3,4, Treasurer 3; Library Club 3,4, President 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Patrol 4; Girls' Glee 1; Scholarship Team 1.

NORMAN REICHENBACH

Football 2; Bowling League 3,4.

LINDA LEE STEINMAN

GAA 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4, Treasurer 3; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3; Library Club 4; Cutlass Staff 4; Bowling League 3,4, Vice-President 4; Girls' Basketball 2; Cheerleader 1,3,4; Operetta 1; Class Play 3,4; Class Treasurer 2; Girls' Glee 1,3; Homecoming Queen 4.

STEVEN ALAN SUTERMEISTER

Class President 2; Library Club 3,4, Treasurer 4; Boys' Glee 2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 2,3,4; Hi-Y 2,3,4, Treasurer 4; FTA 2,3,4; Cutlass Staff 4; Student Senate 4; Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Varsity "B" 4; Class Play 3,4.

ELIZABETH ANN THOMAS

Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 2; GAA 1,2,3,4; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3,4, Vice-President 3; Library Club 4; Student Patrol 3; Cutlass Staff 4; Operetta 1; Class Play 3,4, Student Director 3; Girls' Basketball 2; Buckeye Girls' State 3.

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Ft. Wayne, Indiana--Intramurals 1; Bluffton--Boys' Glee 3; Basketball 2, 3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Varsity "B" 4; Stage Crew 3,4.

GERALD ELWOOD WEAVER

Baseball 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Student Senate 4; National Honor Society 3,4, President 4; Buckeye Boys State 3; Boys' Glee 2; Mixed Chorus 2; Student Patrol 3; Basketball 1; Bowling League 2,3,4; Varsity "B" 4.

LAURA JEAN YODER

GAA 1,2,3,4, Treasurer 2; Tri-Hi-Y 2,3,4, Treasurer 4; FTA 2,3,4, President 4; Library Club 3,4, Vice-President 4; Student Senate 1; Class Vice-President 2; Cheerleader 1; Operetta 1; Girls' Basketball 2; Class Play 3,4; Cutlass Staff 3,4, Feature Page Editor; Band 1,2,3,4, Secretary 3, Vice-President 4; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4; Girls' Ensemble 3,4.







Seniors are seen almost everywhere doing almost everything and looking like almost anything a person can imagine.

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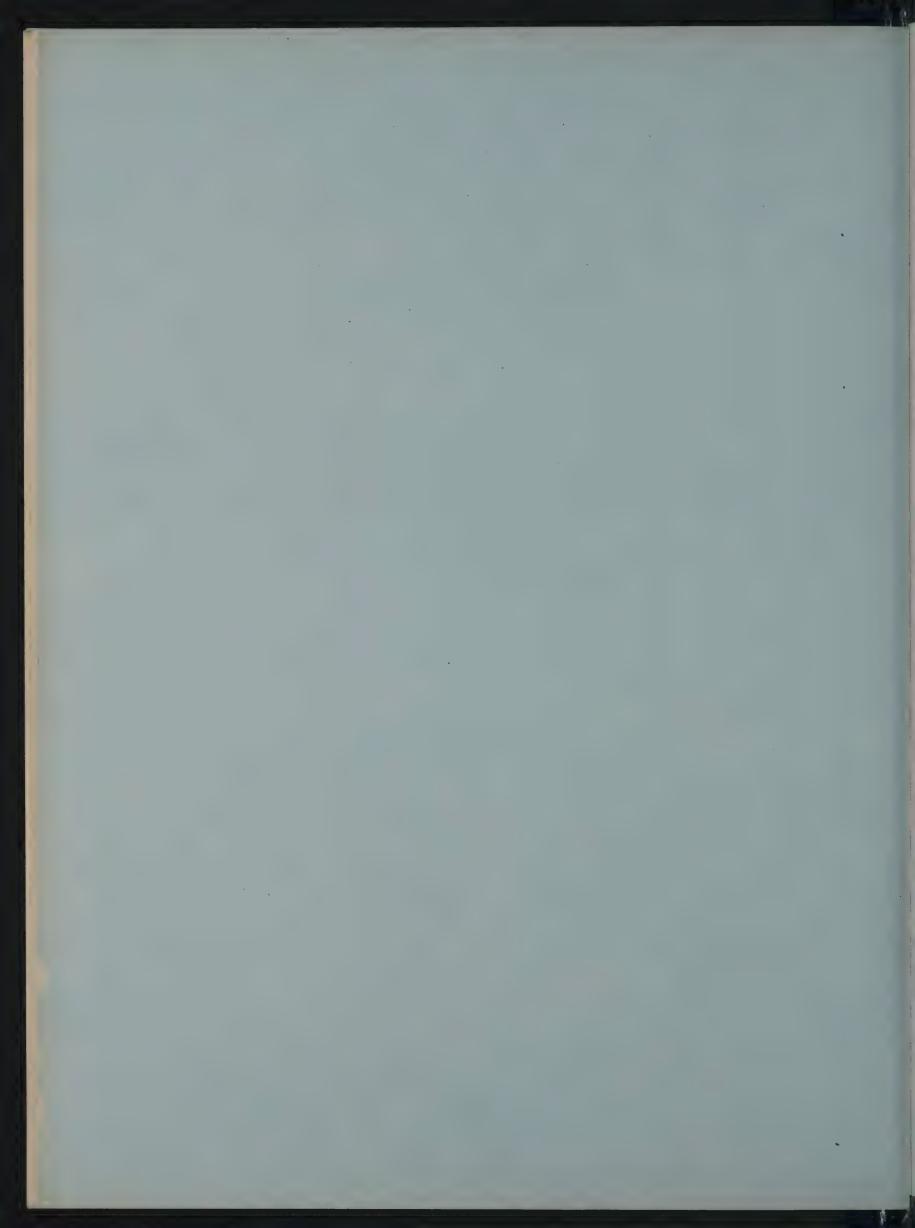
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Retiring Teachers



Mr. A. B. Murray has served as superintendent of Bluffton schools for the past fourteen years.

Miss Keel's forty-three years in public education include twenty-four years at Pandora High School and nineteen years at Bluffton High School. She has taught Latin, French, and English at both schools. Her favorite subject is Latin, and she started the Roman banquet. Miss Keel received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Ohio State University. As a club advisor, Miss Keel aroused much interest in the Tri-Hi-Y.

Miss Slusser, a Bowling Green State University graduate, has spent thirty-nine of her forty-three years of teaching at Bluffton High School. First she

As a high school teacher, Miss Slusser taught English, World History, 7th grade Social Studies and her favorite subject, American History.

was on the elementary faculty, but she shifted to high school social studies and English. As an active sports enthusiast, Miss Slusser can always be found in her sideline seat, cheering the Bluffton teams.

After thirty-six years as a school administrator, the last fourteen in Bluffton, Mr. A. B. Murray, a native of Bluffton, will retire. He graduated from Bluffton High School and Bluffton College, and later received a master's degree in school administration from Ohio State University. Mr. Murray has served as superintendent in numerous other communities before coming to Bluffton in 1949.



Miss Keel, an English, French and Latin teacher, began the traditional Roman banquet.

National Honor Society



ROW ONE: Diane Luginbuhl, Linda Baber, Barbara Eastman, Coletta Lora, Carol Pimlott. ROW TWO: Elaine Baker, Shirley Swank, Beth Balmer, Joyce Eikenbary, Marcia Travis, Carol Basinger, Diana Hilty. ROW THREE: Karen Schmidt, Ann Bucher, Gayle Gerber, Sally Emmert, Jane Herr, Jan Benroth, Larry Crow, Brice Balmer, Dan Luginbuhl, Geral Weaver, Thomas Brauen. NOT PICTURED: Thomas Criblez, Ellen Johnson, Elaine Naas, Jean Purves.

The National Honor Society consists of students who maintain at least a B average and are elected by the faculty. This year 11 second-year members conducted a very impressive induction ceremony for 16 new members — 1 senior and 15 juniors. The 12 senior members also attended the Ethan Allen

Honor Society banquet at Shawnee H. S. and were inducted as members of the Ethan Allen Honor Society.



Tom Brauen gives a talk during the National Honor Society induction service for new members.



Diana Hilty, Secretary Treasurer; Jerry Weaver, President; Carol Basinger, Vice President.

Track



KNEELING: Dave Burkholder, Richard Bucher, Ken Lugibihl, Gene Balmer, Gary Zimmerman, Dennis Swank, Cliff Eastman, Bill Swank, Sam Reineke. STANDING: Terry Habeggar, Tom Bogart, Steve Niswander, Larry Amstutz, Fred Rodabaugh, Dave Travis, Dennis Swank, Charles Baker, Dan Lehman.

One of the largest number of boys in several years composed this year's track squad. The team, with Mr. Osborne as coach, won several big meets. Two boys, Sam Reineke and Gary Zimmerman, qualified for the district track meet. Bluffton's team participated in numerous area relays and conference track meets.



Gene Balmer passes the tube to Gary Zimmerman in one of the distance relays.

Bluffton	56			Cridersville	62
Bluffton	46	Hardin-North	ern 46	Ottawa	34
Bluffton	66		Hard	in-Northern	43
Bluffton	501/2			Leipsic	611/2
Bluffton	75		C	ory-Rawson	45
Bluffton	63	Arlington 5	3 C	ory-Rawson	33
Bluffton	63	Arlington 5	3 C	ory-Rawson	33



Tom Criblez and Richard Bucher finish one-two for Bluffton in the mile run.

Baseball



KNEELING: Roger Augsburger, David Gratz, Tom Augsburger, Don Patterson, Larry Moser, Mike Reichenbach, John Mericle, Tom Brauen, Jerry Weaver. STANDING: Mr. Harris, coach; Greg Myers, Tom Basinger, Larry Crow, Jim Motter, Steve Clark, Loren Core, Steve Sutermeister.

Bluffton	4	Harrod	3
Bluffton	0	Perry	8
Bluffton	5	Cory-Rawson	3
Bluffton	2	Perry	8
Bluffton	2	Leipsic	4
Bluffton	6	Lafayette	22
Bluffton	2	Ada	6
Bluffton	0	Beaverdam	7
Bluffton	10	Cory-Rawson	4
Bluffton	4	Bath	11

The 1963 baseball team opened its season with a 4-3 victory over Harrod. During the season the Pirate nine defeated Cory-Rawson twice. In tournament action the team lost to Perry in the first game 2-8. Mr. Harris was the coach of the baseball squad; the season was closed with a 3-6 record.

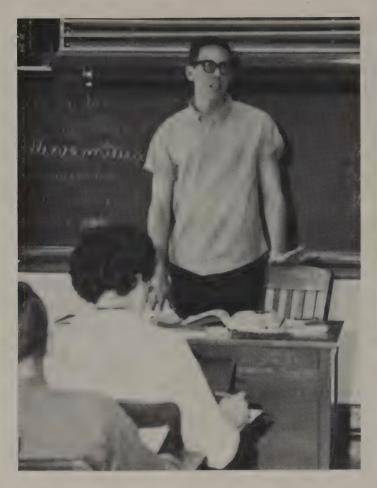


, First baseman, Tom Basinger, warms up before the game.



Bluffton player runs to cover first base after the pitch.

Spring Activities



Professor Brice Balmer teaches world history on Senior Control Day.



Our victorious Girls' Basketball team competes with other schools.

Parents observe our creative interests on achievement night.



The Latin classes with the help of Miss Keel, chose Roman men, god and goddesses as the theme for the Roman banquet. They decorated with purple on purple — the color of the gods. As part of the program, ensembles from

the Latin I class sang Roman songs. Two plays were given, one by each of the Latin II classes. The Latin students and their Junior and Senior guests will never forget the fun and work of the Roman Banquet.



Kip Stratton, King of Drinking, tastes the wine at the Roman Banquet.





The weary Seniors return from their six-day trip to Washington and New York.



Champion bowler Jim Irwin knocks down the human bowling pins at the Physical Fitness Assembly.



BHS athletes and their parents enjoy the food at the annual Athletic Banquet.



The Senior boys show off their hand painted SENIOR shirts.



At the Awards Assembly, Miss Keel, Miss Slusser, and Mr. Murray were honored and given BHS pins in recognition of their many years of service to Bluffton High School.

Jean Purves, Junior class President, accepts the key to BHS from the Senior class President Ken Lugibihl.



"Stairway To The Stars"



A table of teachers relax after the banquet.

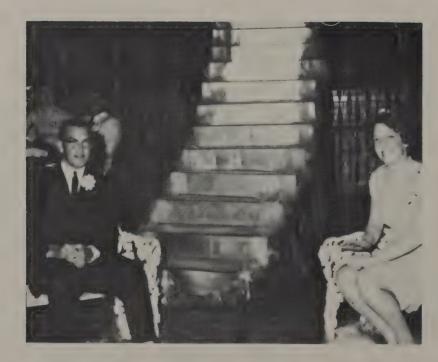


Proud Juniors discuss the prom with their guests.



Mistress of Ceremonies, Bonnie DeVier, advises "Hitch your wagon to a star!"

On the evening of May 11 the annual Jr.-Sr. Prom and banquet was held in the high school gym. The Juniors chase "Stairway to the Stars" for this year's theme. As the guests entered the beautifully decorated gym they were greeted by a curving, golden staircase covered with blue and white angel hair. Blue lights reflected from silver stars hanging from the ceiling. After the banquet Bonnie DeVier, mistress of ceremonies, read the Senior Class Prophecies. The Class Wills were also presented. The Junior Girls' ensemble sang several songs, one the theme, "Stairway to the Stars". Mr. A. B. Murray announced the king, Richard Bucher, and crowned Laura Yoder queen. The remainder of the evening was spent dancing to the exceptionally fine music of the Lee Blanchard Dance Band.



Queen Laura Yoder and King Richard Bucher recover from shock at the foot of the golden stairway.



Members of the faculty enjoy the banquet by candlelight.

"Meet Me In St. Louis"



Tootie, the youngest daughter, has just derailed a trolley, and caused trouble for everyone.

The Senior Class play in 1963 was an old favorite, "Meet Me in St. Louis". After five weeks of practices, hunting furniture and costumes, and trying to fix the old auditorium flats, the members of the cast put on the performances on May 17-18. This was the final project of the class of 1963, since the play was given on their last two days of school.

The cast included: Mr. Smith, Tom Brauen; Mrs. Smith, Betty Thomas; Rose, Barbara Heiks; Esther, Laura Yoder; Agnes, Elaine Baker; Tootie, Linda Steinman; Lon, Steve Sutermeister; Grandpa, Lynn Basinger; Katie, Judy Chidester; Mrs. Waughop, Coletta Lora; Ida Boothby, Midori Oyamada; John Shepard, Jim Irwin; Fred Gregory, Jerry Weaver; Lucille Pentard, Marcia Travis; Mr. Dodge, Brice Balmer; Mr. Duffy, Rick Davies; Conductor, Mike Brown.



Mr. Smith gives his daughters a lecture on why their family must move to New York.



Lon brings Lucille home to meet the folks, but she isn't liked at all by the Smith girls.



Agnes causes trouble when Dodge and Duffy come to discuss Mr. Smith's transfer to New York.



The story ends well with the Smiths' staying in St. Louis and the Fair beginning.

Commencement 1963



Bluffton High School presents the graduating Class of 1963.



Mayor Ralph S. Locher spoke to the Class of 1963 telling them to always "Strive for Excellence."

May 26, 1963 at 2:30 in the afternoon the baccalaureate services began. An inspiring message was given by Rev. Dan Dalke. The Girl's Glee sang two numbers. Rev. David Craig closed the service with the benediction.

May 26, 1963 the commencement exercises started with forty-three seniors marching in to the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance". Rev. John Warren gave the invocation which was followed by the Mixed Chorus singing "Blest Spirit One with God Above" and "Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor". Ralph S. Locher, Mayor of Cleveland, gave the class address. For their last performance, the Senior Ensemble sang a vocal selection,, "To Yon Fair Grove." Rev. Warren closed the commenement activities with the benediction. With the recessional the Seniors fondly bid farewell to dear old B.H.S., to eagerly await the unknown future.



The excited Seniors eagerly make ready for their commencement exercises.



Phil Basinger receives his diploma as the rest of the Seniors look on.



A large number of people filled the gymnasium for the graduation ceremonies.

